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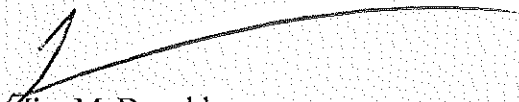
I am writing this letter in the hopes that the task force will look at the current zoning in the midtown area. I have operated my business in the same location since 1930 or so, and have seen many changes to the area. The most dramatic are the changes that have occurred in the last 5 years. This area is no longer conducive to industrial uses. The increase in the number of housing units has increased traffic to the point where it impacts the efficiency of my operation. The number of pedestrians has increased to cause potential safety hazards, i.e. possible pedestrian/truck conflicts, noise, etc.

With housing all around us, we would like to look for a more conducive industrial area within the city limits, to relocate to in the future. I would like for the task force to look at my site for possible residential use looking forward. I believe it makes the most sense for the area, and we can not undo what has already happened, we can only make good choices going forward.

I am available to answer any questions about traffic or the area in general as I have spent my entire adult life coming to this location every day.

Thank you for looking into this matter

Sincerely,
O.C. McDonald Co., Inc.


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